

We took on board Some sugar and a pound And finished with political pie: I'll be a partisan, I'll be a partisan, I'll be a partisan till I die!

Some peewee is allowed in the Marlinton Journal to shoot his works with the declaration that in as much as he had heard tell of discrimination along political lines away down in Monroe county in the matter of appointing teachers, and so from this time forth, so help him Ned, he will continue to be a republican. He signs a note in blank with security and nominates in the bond he will vote her blind regardless of who or what gets stuck on his ticket in the way of nominees.

Of course it was no smart thing to say, and it will be a siller thing to carry out. Such country and work is no help to he so blindly adhere to the party he so blindly adhere to. Rev. John Bunyan wrote about his likes and called him Mister Facing One Way.

In Pocahontas county there is a democratic school board which saw fit to elect a republican member as its president and retain a republican in the office of county superintendent. Acting under their oaths as executors of a public trust, no one castigates them for party disloyalty, but the partisan purist goes into the air about something he hears tell of in county which does not even join our borders.

The only attempt ever made to inject partisan politics in school affairs in Pocahontas county that I know of was a boner pulled by a republican executive committee some year ago. Somewhere in the archives I have a copy of the resolution served on two good men running for the district school board, to the effect: they could not forswear themselves before election and promise to give preference to teachers who voted republican, and the committee would fill names on the ticket of persons who would. To the everlasting credit of the good names of the good men who were thus put on the spot, they neither promised nor resigned.

The effort is made to stir resentment in the hearts of unemployed persons by the inference that partiality and politics played parts in putting a number of members of a certain family in positions of various public service. That is a foolish statement in the light of the first rule of politics which is to spread the plums as widely as possible.

Here is the truth. The father holds office by the will of the people after the matter was made an issue in several elections; a daughter proved her ability as a teacher after appointment by a republican school board; another daughter has position as a canning specialist under the work-relief board as the only one here at the time of her appointment possessing the required training and credentials; a son was retained as a truck driver on the state road forces by a former road superintendent, under his legal reway to appoint trained technical men with required credentials, after the relief board had certified to him men who did not have this training nor these credentials.

I presume he has bottled up in his vital of wrath, to be poured out later, the case of a fine young daughter of a high-salaried man, who has received appointment to a good position in public service, she is so competent to fill by reason of intensive training and native ability.

Are memories so short as not to recall the parceling out of positions in state institutions prior to 1933—each royal family in the state house having as pie a particular institution? Can we not remember the cards pledged party loyalty required of even pick and shovel hands before they could get employment on state roads? And only republicans of a certain kind and color then?

Why that correspondent even belittles by ridicule the efforts Congressmen Randolph and this Times editor are putting forth to get the Marlinton tannery starved. Whether these efforts have or will ever amount to much in bringing about the greatly to be desired goal of opening the long shut down industrial plant, I am the last person to express an opinion. However I do say the continued stagnation of such an industry involves such volume of human suffering and was on the part of hundreds of honest, working people, no right thinking person, be he Congressman, editor or what not, will hold his hand from doing his utmost to get the wheels revolving again. I do not appreciate the derisive cheaping of this peewee, nor the fact a fellow craftsman furnishes him a high to cheap from.

In the seng digging days of my boyhood the older people would tell me the story of the big lost seng patch. It always went something like this: One afternoon a man was out hunting seng, went into a laurel patch, and there came upon a patch of an acre or more in extent, standing thick with four and five prong stocks. He fell to and dug until he had just time enough to make it into his camp before dark, and he carried away with him one hundred or more pounds of the green roots. His hurry, the heavy load and the heat made him sick and the next morning he pulled for home instead of going back as he had intended. When he finally made it into home, he found he was due for a spell of fever. When he got out months later the leaves were down and winter at hand. The next spring the man tried to find the patch again, but he could never come up with it, though he spent his life looking for it. The place was vainly looking for me as Buckley Mountain, Thorny Creek, Marlin, Black

Ganley, Elk and Chest. Reading some Central West Virginia history by Col. John D. Sutton the other day, I found he too had heard the tradition. He said the big patch of seng was found by W. H. Wilson while surveying the line between Pocahontas and Randolph Counties in the year 1840. The discovery was lost sight of until rediscovered by Thomas Wood, a scout in the war between the states. He took his find to some one friend in Webster county, and they gathered a company and dug the seng. The then prevailing price was fifty cents a pound and they realized the sum of six hundred dollars for their season's digging. Twelve hundred pounds of seng would stretch out to something like the twelve thousand dollars of the present market. The Colonel is just a bit hazy as to the exact location on the far seng county line between Pocahontas and Randolph the big seng patch was found, but as Thomas Woods was Webster county man and was probably scouting along the Webster trail from Tea Creek across Yew Mountain, my guess is that seng was found somewhere on Turkey Mountain, west of the South Fork of Gauley.

NICHOLAS TRAIL

E. E. Deltz, mayor, was over to Charleston this week and he brings the wonderful information that the State Road Commission actually has in plans a few months work on the great Richwood Marlinton highway. This information should stiffen the back bone of every patriotic Richwooder to say "Richwood, the City Merry on the Banks of the Cherry" will have a direct outlet to the nation's capitol, Washington, D. C. With the building of this greatly needed highway, property values in Richwood will climb back to their 1929 heights and things will hum here and elsewhere as never before.

"ON TO MARLINTON"

Boys how we could go to the Pocahontas fair this week if it was already completed.—Richwood Republican. The above is in line with information which has come to this office about work to start this fall on the State Road from Seneca Trail to Richwood by way of Stamping Creek, Charles Mountain and Cherry River. Last week it was necessary to send engineers to Stamping Creek to relocate the first survey. The big flood of last month proved the location of the first survey to be too close to the stream at times of great washouts. We all on this side of the Black Forest can but echo the enthusiasm of the Richwood people over the coming of Nicholas-Pocahontas road, we are as anxious for a short cut to the west as they are for an outlet to the east.

Joseph H. Simmons, of Watoga reports in that he too saw the carcass of the big deer that floated by Marlinton in the recent flood in the Greenbrier.

Some years ago A. E. Boblett, of Stamping Creek, planted a lot of peach seeds. Of course these grew and he got a lot of trees. All of these trees, but one, are the kind of seedlings one expects to get when he plants peach seeds. The exception is a cling peach that produced this year a couple bushels of fruit as large and fine as you ever saw. The two samples brought to this office by Mrs. Kenny Burgess weighed nearly a pound a piece.

Earl H. Slayton and Eva Mae Bibb, both of Mt. Hope, were married at Renick, August 10th, by Rev. J. F. Pope. The groom's former home was Durbin and is an employee of the Standard Oil Company. The bride is a popular young lady of Mount Hope.

Mrs. A. E. Sherwood and Mrs. Laura M. Echols will be the guests of Mr and Mrs Hubert Echols for a few days.

Mrs. J. E. Peck and daughter, Mrs. R. C. Plymale attended the Fair and visited friends here last week.

Joe Wilson, of Morgantown, visited friends and relatives and attended the Fair last week.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CLIFFORD A. GROSS, Trustee of the Forest Lumber Company, a Bankrupt, Et Al, and 5,635 ACRES OF LAND lying in Pocahontas County, West Virginia. NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO CONDEMN LAND TO: Gross, Clifford A., Trustee of the Forest Lumber Company, a Bankrupt; Adkinson, D. C., School Land Commissioner of Pocahontas County; Boehm, Paul K.; Boehm, Esther; Briscoe, W. A.; Briscoe, Ada; Briscoe, J. H.; Briscoe, Nora; Briscoe, Cain; Mel; Dawson, Charles; Dawson, Joseph G.; Drey, B. P.; Drey, Alma J.; Forest Lumber Company, a Bankrupt; Gum, Rubenia; Gum, R. Lee; McCoy, Robert L.; Miller, Harry; Miller, Hattie; Scott, H. J.; Scott, Nellie; Strickler; Sigler, Rachel; Sigler, Will; Sims, Strickler, Tom G.; Strickler, Alex; Strickler, Dolie W.; Strickler, Lena P.; Strickler, Mary D.; Strickler, Johnson P.; Strickler, Johnson P. the wife of; Strickler, Elizabeth; Strickler, Elizabeth, the wife of; Strickler,

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tion of navigable streams, the watersheds of which said tracts of land are a part; and for the appointment of Commissioners to ascertain a just compensation to the persons entitled thereto for the lands hereinafter to be described, in which you and each of you have or may claim to have some interest, right, title or estate, and at the same time and place will make further application for such proceedings to be had upon said petition as may be necessary to condemn said tracts of land and each and every estate therein, and the entire and unencumbered fee thereof for the public use and purposes of the United States of America; to-wit, in using said lands in any manner whatsoever that may be necessary in the opinion of the Secretary of Agriculture. The lands which are sought to be condemned contain in the aggregate 5,635.00 acres of land lying in Pocahontas County, West Virginia, and consist of the following tracts: Tract No. 397, L. as shown by a plat filed as an exhibit with the petition in this proceeding in the office of the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia, and Tract No. 397a, likewise shown by plat recorded with the above mentioned petition, both of which tracts are known as Forest Lumber Company (Clifford A. Gross, Trustee in Bankruptcy) Tracts, which said petition, plats and exhibits may be seen and examined during regular office hours by any person interested. Dated this 8th day of August, 1935, at Charleston, West Virginia. GEORGE T. NEAL, United States Attorney.

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